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Applicant	XIONG et al.
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Title	BIAXIALLY-TEXTURED FILM DEPOSITION FOR SUPERCONDUCTOR COATED TAPES
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 FOR PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Dear Sir:

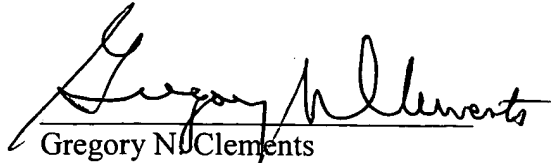
This invention involves superconductive materials, as well as methods of making same. As such, Applicants respectfully request that this application be accorded "special" status.

According to MPEP 708.02, item IX, Applicants believe there is no fee due for the filing of this petition. However, if this is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account Number 04-1448**.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Apr. 8, 2004

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory N. Clements", written over a horizontal line.

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